COLOR Disc and Tape bands are beginning to build a wider reputation.

The Walthamstow record and tape label has been nurturing its four major bands for a few years now — and at last things seem to be paying off.

Mystery Plane's "Fractired" tape release on Colour proved so popular in Germany that they're soon to release a 12in EP out there. Meanwhile another Color band, Modern Art, have cassette releases out soon in Germany, USA and France.

And back in ol' blighty, Color has assembled its autumn collection — and an interesting assortment of release it is too.

There's a lovely instrumental acoustic guitar collection by Modern Art called "Pastel Sunrise" that comes packaged initially in a three cassette box set, in which the cassettes are identified by their colour (clever). Just settle back and let this music wash through you.

Modern Art share another release, "Souvenir," with Martin Newell's Cleaners from Venus — one of Britain's sadly neglected pop geniuses.

Cleaners from Venus had the knack of constructing simple and pure melodic pop, and their reputation is such that one Captain Sensible is now rumoured to be working with them.

That takes us to Lives of Angels who, like Modern Art, are based in Walthamstow, and whose first Color tape release was picked up and re-issued as an LP by Fire Records.

Their follow-up to "Elevator To Eden" is a cassette entitled "Alternative Programming" which features music from their video "Artificial Intelligence".

Guitars jangle and weave lines through the keyboard and drum treatments on the opening "Expert System", with a sense of gay abandon' like some merry-go-round soundtrack. Bring on the dervishes.

"Heartland" shifts to the mood of the night, as it slips and slides with sultry style, featuring multi-layered guitars that recall the style of Jerry Garcia of the Grateful Dead.

"Green on Black" switches to keyboards for this soundtrack that steers between the work of Philip Glass and Tangerine Dream.

The last of the four tapes is a collection of archive pop recordings from The Ordinary, whose members later achieved success with Modern Art, WeR7 and The Weather Prophets.

The side that I checked out must have been one hell of a jam session. The bass and drum work here are excellent as the former provides an anchor in territory not far from the Cure, although less depressive.

Then it drops away to a magical section that's held together with just restrained cymbal work. On top of that is piled all sorts of weird electronic and percussive noises and some wonderful bass work. It's pure Can at their best. What a shame that this band are no longer.

OK — that's just a few personal impressions of Color's latest releases. If anything there has touched your own interest, don't hesitate to write for more details to Color, 62 Hibbert Road, Walthamstow, E17.

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Color 3 MYSTERY PLANE
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"ORIENTAL TOWERS" C.60
pop

Color 5 MYSTERY PLANE
"DEAD PRESLEY TAPES" C.45
shadows on acid

Color 6 VARIOUS
"AN HOUR OF COLOR" C.60

Color 7 WeR7
"MENTAL TOWN" C.60
experimental pop

Color 8 MODERN ART
"DIMENSION OF NOISE" C.60
pop

Color 9 MYSTERY PLANE
"HELL HOUSE" C.60
live/studio 82-84

Color 10 VARIOUS
"AN HOUR OF COLOR 2" C.60

Color 11 Deleted

Color 12 MYSTERY PLANE
"FRACTURED" C.40
rock out

Color 13 VARIOUS
"AN HOUR OF COLOR 3" C.60

Color 14 MODERN ART
"MODERN ARTEFACT No.2 C.60
synth/classical ltd edition

Color 15 WeR7
"UN-EARTHED" C.60
acid pop

Color 16 THE ORDINARY
"A.D. ORDINARY" C.60
archive pop fun

Color 17 LIVES OF ANGELS
"ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMMING"
C.60
soundtrack music

Color 18 MODERN ART
"PASTEL SUNRISE" C.40
acoustic set/instrumental

Color 19 MODERN ART/CLEANERS FROM VENUS
"SOUVENIR" C.60
jangle it

Color 20 VARIOUS
"FISTFUL OF COLOR" C.45
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Color 21 WeR7
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